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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Stephen RICHMOND et al.  
Title: ANIMAL CELL COLONY PICKING APPARATUS AND METHOD  
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Sir:

Prior to further examination on the merits and responsive to the final Office Action dated May 10, 2006, and the Advisory Action dated December 8, 2006, Applicants respectfully request examination of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A Notice of Appeal was filed November 9, 2006, and a request for continued examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently with this submission.

The appropriate fees are enclosed to make this response timely.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows.

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